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The Honorable Lionel H. Olmer The Under Secretary for International Trade Department of Commerce Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Lionel,

I thought you might find the attached study of interest. It presents a picture of a surprisingly robust US performance in the world economy in the past decade and projects a rather more favorable outlook for US international competitiveness in the mid-1980s than is generally assumed.

I would very much appreciate any comments you might have on the paper. I can be reached on STAT

Sincerely.

National Intelligence Officer at Large

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